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PILE WALL WITH INTEGRAL SOIL ANCHORS  
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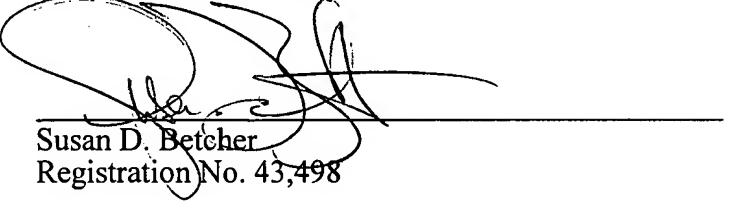
In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56 and 1.97 through 1.98, applicant wishes to make known to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the 15 references set forth on the attached Form PTO-1449. This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior Application No. 09/918,693, filed July 30, 2001. The references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were submitted to and/or cited by the Patent and Trademark Office in this prior application and, therefore, are not required to be provided in this application. If the Examiner wishes, copies will be provided upon request. As to any reference supplied, applicant does not admit that it is "prior art" under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, and specifically reserves the right to traverse or antedate any such reference, as by a showing under 37 CFR 1.131 or other method. Although the aforesaid references are made known to the Patent and Trademark Office in compliance with applicant's duty to disclose all information he is aware of which is believed relevant to the examination of the above-identified application, applicant believes that his invention is patentable.

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